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site. She explained that funding is based on contributions, either in kind or cash, from the membership. Contributions can be made through the Sunset Empire Park and Recreation Foundation aid are tax deductible.

Bill Barrons, administrator, reported on plans to create two new footpaths to the beach from Ocean Drive. Committee chairs reported on road maintenance progress and on the gate modification project that was ongoing. In the absence of any contentious issues, the meeting closed on a generally contented note.

New Board, Committee Lineup

Following the annual meeting the new board met to select a replacement for Tom Smith, who resigned, and to elect new officers. Burr Allegaert agreed to replace Smith for the two years remaining of his term. New officers are:

president, Michael Wilkin; vice president, Burr Allegaert; secretary, Marge Bloomfield; treasurer, Ralph Todd.

Member Lawrence Wobbrock proposed formation of a safety committee which would be charged with trying to reduce such dangers as potential fire conditions that exist on some vacant property. That committee will be chaired by Ralph Todd and several lawyers have agreed to serve on it. Planning for the new gate house, responsibility of the long-range planning committee, is in Gene Kever's hands. Burr Allegaert will chair the security committee; Don Kruger will oversee roads and grounds; Bonnie Groshong and Norma Kever will co-chair the community relations committee; Gene Bourquein will continue to lead the park subcommittee. Any member who would like to serve on one of these committees should contact the chair.

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for all members



Annual Meeting Report

Members who rely on the Breeze for information about the association will perhaps be pleased to know that this year's annual meeting proceeded smoothly. In less than two hours all business had been transacted and golfers could return to the important affairs of life. Several new faces appeared among the roughly 45 attendees and introduced themselves as recent arrivals in Surf Pines.

The most important agenda item was election of a board member to replace Mark Roberts whose term ended. The result was an unprecedented tie vote. When it was announced that Burr Allegaert and Don Kruger had received 43 votes each, Burr graciously ceded the position to Don. Thereafter, the proposed budget for the new year and the proposed change in the Articles of Incorporation both passed by all but unanimous votes.

If 86 votes seem to be a small proportion of the total

membership of about 280, the number could reflect a general disinterest in association affairs, or perhaps satisfaction, not to say boredom, with how things are run, or even disaffection with the democratic process. On the other hand, it is safe to say that had a 50% rise in dues been proposed it would have excited greater response. No fear; such a thing never crossed the board's mind.

While the votes were tallied Mary Blake described the improvements so far made on the park property and encouraged members to visit the

Board Officers 2002-2003

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Association News

Of Park and Picnic

Eighteen people attended the picnic following the annual meeting. The weather and food were great and it was an opportunity to welcome some newcomers to our area. Those who attended enjoyed themselves thoroughly.

The following volunteers' time and energy have made possible construction of the barbecue pad with two stainless steel grills: Brian Cameron designed them and Ken Weber and Gene Bourquein helped with construction. A drinking fountain, designed by Ken and installed with help from Brian and Gene, is near completion. A sturdy plastic storage shed to house picnic tables, hoses and other park equipment was purchased and will soon be erected in a secluded part of the park.

To date, \$2,230 in cash have been donated to park development projects. Katie Weber (738-5986) has been actively soliciting calendar sales and/or donations and to date has collected an additional \$110. The committee is also selling ceramic tiles that will decorate the barbecue and drinking fountain areas; small ones are \$25, larger ones \$50. Contact Mary Blake for particulars if you'd like to participate in this creative effort. You can even design your own tile.

Unrestricted donations remaining after completion of these improvements are \$800. Additional funds needed to purchase a swing set, the next improvement most often requested by the membership, would cost about \$1,200. Your generosity is needed to accomplish this goal. Do visit the park, see what has been done so far, try out the barbecue, and visualize what the park can become.

Trees Available

Members who would like to have more trees for their property can have some healthy young pines for the asking. There are some thick clumps that need thinning and the owner is happy to give the trees a good home. If you are interested, contact Lynn Meyrick to make arrangements.

Last Weekends Only, Please

If you are planning a garage sale or your real estate agent wants to hold an open house, PLEASE do it on the last Saturday of the month and the following Sunday. That is the only time the gates will be locked open for these activities. Be sure to let Lynn Meyrick know well in advance so he can make the arrangements.

Coming Social Events

The Community Relations Committee has planned a couple of events for the fall to give members a chance to meet and mingle. On October 19, Dick and Susan Drummond (89808 Ocean Dr.) will host a harvest get-together at their home. A year-end holiday party will again be hosted by Burr and Sally Allegaert (89332 Manion Drive) on December 14. More details will be coming from the committee. Watch for them and try to make time to attend and get better acquainted with other Surf Piners.

Reminder

Members who would like to contribute some bonus money for a holiday gift to Lynn and Pam Meyrick are invited to send it with their payment of the accompanying October dues statement. Whatever amount you add to the dues will be earmarked for Lynn and Pam.

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Gate Entry Project

Installation of the new gate entry system is almost complete. At this writing the last bugs were being exterminated and the final inspection was due. Once the system is operating as intended, there will be changes to individual gate codes. When that happens each member will receive an explanatory letter.

Visitor at the Gate?

What do you do when a visitor arrives at one of the gates and does not have a gate code? Walk or run to the gate? Jump in the car and drive down the road until you are close enough to use your transmitter...if you have one?

There is a better solution that now works at either the north or south gate. Here are the steps that need to be used:

1. Your visitor pulls up at the gate and stops at the Sentex unit where the key pad is located.
2. Following instructions on the screen they find your name followed by a number.

3. The number is entered on the keypad connecting them by phone to your home.
4. Someone at your home answers the phone, identifies the caller as someone they want to admit to the neighborhood.
5. On your phone the number "9" is punched. As if by magic the gate opens! But this also ends the phone connection. (If you don't want to see the visitor just hang up.)
6. This is a short phone call. Once you answer the phone you have 90 seconds to punch "9" or the connection is broken and the visitor will have to start over at step 1.

